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SUBJ: CCD: US-SOVIET CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONSULTATIONS:

PREPARATIONS FOR ROUND SIX: MESSAGE NO. 9

1. US DEL RECOMMENDS THAT THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW BE
ADDRESSED DURING PREPARATIONS FOR ROUND SIX OF US-SOVIET
CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONSULTATIONS.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION-

A. WHAT FACILITIES IN THE US HAVE BEEN DESIGNED OR
USED FOR PRODUCTION OF SINGLE-PURPOSE CW AGENTS OR SINGLE-
PURPOSE PRECURSORS? FOR FILLING MUNITIONS WITH CW AGENTS?
(COMPLETION OF RESPONSE)

B. HAVE ANY SINGLE-PURPOSE CHEMICALS PROCURED BY THE
USG BEEN PRODUCED IN FACILITIES WHICH ARE NOT CURRENTLY
OWNED BY THE USG? ARE THERE FACILITIES WHICH HAVE BEEN USED
FOR FILLING CHEMICAL MUNITIONS (WITH EITHER SINGLE-PURPOSE
OR DUAL-PURPOSE AGENTS) THAT ARE NOT CURRENTLY OWNED BY THE
USG?

C. DOES THE US CONDUCT FIELD EXERCISES INVOLVING
TROOPS AS PART OF THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING PROTECTIVE
EQUIPMENT? WHAT IS THE NATURE AND FREQUENCY OF THE
EXERCISES? HOW MANY TROOPS ARE INVOLVED? ARE ANY LIVE
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CHEMICAL AGENTS OR CHEMICAL MUNITIONS OF ANY TYPES EMPLOYED?
ARE THERE ACCEPTABLE ALTERNATIVES TO USE OF LIVE AGENTS
IN SUCH EXERCISES?

D. HOW WOULD US PROPOSALS AFFECT THE COMMERCIAL
CHEMICAL INDUSTRY?

E. TO WHAT EXTENT DO THE SOVIETS CONDUCT FIELD EXERCISES
WITH TROOPS IN WHICH LIVE CW AGENTS ARE USED? (THE PURPOSE

AND CHARACTERISTICS OF ANY SUCH EXERCISES SHOULD BE DESCRIBED FULLY.)

3. ELABORATION OF US POSITION:

A. WHAT SHOULD BE THE US RESPONSE TO THE SOVIET PROPOSAL ON "HARMFUL" AGENTS? ARE THERE OTHER CATEGORIES OF "HARMFUL" AGENTS WHICH SHOULD BE SPECIFICALLY DISCUSSED?

B. WHAT PROCEDURES SHOULD BE USED BY THE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE IN RESOLVING QUESTIONS CONCERNING COMPLIANCE? HOW SHOULD THE NEED FOR AN ON-SITE INVESTIGATION BE DETERMINED?

C. WHAT PROCEDURES WOULD BE EMPLOYED TO CONFIRM THAT SHUT-DOWN FACILITIES REMAINED INACTIVE? HOW WOULD ON-SITE INSPECTIONS BE CARRIED OUT?

D. HOW WOULD AN ON-SITE "CHALLENGE" INSPECTIONS BE CARRIED OUT?

E. HOW SHOULD THE FOLLOWING TERMS BE DEFINED:

(1) INCAPACITATING AGENT:

(2) "HARMFUL" AGENTS (OR EQUIVALENT TERM)

(3) PRECURSOR (DETAILED EXPLANATION SHOULD BE PROVIDED)

(4) SINGLE-PURPOSE

(5) DUAL-PURPOSE

F. WHAT ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED TO BE PART OF THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPMENT OF CHEMICAL WARFARE AGENTS AND WEAPONS? WHAT ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED LEGITIMATE ASPECTS OF DEVELOPMENT OF MEANS OF PROTECTION?

G. WHAT SCHEDULE SHOULD BE ADOPTED FOR DESTRUCTION OF CONFIDENTIAL

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STOCKS DURING THE EIGHT-YEAR PERIOD? (COMPLETION OF RESPONSE)

H. WHAT ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD BE ADOPTED FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON STOCKPILES PRIOR TO ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE CONVENTION?

I. WHAT CONTROLS SHOULD BE ADOPTED TO ENSURE THAT PRODUCTION FACILITIES TO BE USED TEMPORARILY FOR DESTRUCTION PURPOSES DO NOT CARRY OUT ANY ILLICIT PRODUCTION ACTIVITIES?

J. HOW SHOULD COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENT TO DESTROY UNFILLED AND EMPTIED MUNITIONS BE CONFIRMED?

K. IF THE SOVIETS PROPOSE THAT US AND SOVIET RATIFICATION BE REQUIRED FOR ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE CONVENTION, CAN THE US AGREE?

L. ARE THERE ANY CONDITIONS WHICH COULD BE ATTACHED TO CONVERSION OF SINGLE-PURPOSE PRODUCTION FACILITIES TO PEACEFUL PURPOSES WHICH WOULD MAKE CONVERSION AN ACCEPTABLE ALTERNATIVE TO DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION?.VAN HUEVEL

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